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CITY TO GET HEALTH CENT. SAYS QUINN

County Supervisor Assures Local Club Men That Clinic Will Be Built Here Next Year

The next county health center clinic will be built in Torrance on a site adjoining the American Legion clubhouse on Carson street, and an appropriation covering its cost has been included in next year's budget by the Board of Supervisors. These facts were learned from Supervisor John R. Quinn of the 4th district, when he spoke before the Torrance Kiwanis club last Friday noon at Earl's Cafe.

Supervisor Quinn praised the beautiful site offered by Torrance, which is a portion of the three-acre playground property recently purchased by the City of Torrance out of Chamber of Commerce funds. While, of course, definite action must first be taken by the Board of Supervisors before the health center will be authorized, Torrance, Supervisor Quinn seems confident that his recommendation would be accepted.

In a determined effort to reduce county taxes next year, Quinn stated that the item of the proposed health center in Torrance had been omitted from the budget, but Supervisor Quinn was successful in having an appropriation re-instated in the next year's budget, which is now ready for passage by the Board of Supervisors. He told the Torrance audience, "The appropriation is not as large as you wanted, Mayor Dennis, nor is it as great as I had hoped for, but at least it is a start, and we can arrange for enlarging the health center at a later date," said Quinn. It is understood that the appropriation will be about \$25,000.

County taxes have increased every year since 1916, and the Board of Supervisors are unanimous in the opinion that taxes should be decreased next year. The assessed valuation has been decreased ten percent over the present year, which will mean a corresponding decrease in county taxes, Quinn stated. "We expect to lower the county tax budget better than six million dollars," the supervisor added.

The water rate in the County Water District No. 13, at Lomita, has been cut to 85 cents, and further reductions are planned, Quinn said.

Two More Seek Supervisor's Post Held by Quinn

Two more candidates have been included in the list of opponents of John R. Quinn for membership in the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors from the Fourth District.

Reve Houck, former Mayor of Culver City, who opposed the late Supervisor R. F. McClellan in the 1928 election, filed his nomination petition late Saturday night. Houck once faced trial in Los Angeles Superior Court on an indictment charging misconduct of city affairs at Culver City.

The other new opponent of Supervisor Quinn is J. O. Barthel, Los Angeles City Councilman, who lives in Venice. Barthel formerly was postmaster at Santa Monica. He also filed Saturday night.

Entrance of these two candidates brings the list of Fourth District Supervisorial aspirants to six. In addition to Supervisor Quinn and his new opponents they are Raymond V. Darby, Inglewood City Councilman; Robert C. Ramage, former Hawthorne mayor and Lawrence C. McLean, Hawthorne filling station operator.

City Charter of Inglewood Topic of Talk at Lunch

Advantage To Torrance of Adopting Freeholder Charter Explained by Inglewood City Attorney

Advantages to a city operating under a freeholder charter instead of under the State law were explained to members of the City Council and Torrance Chamber of Commerce Tuesday noon by Clyde Woodworth, city attorney of Inglewood.

"In order to prevent Los Angeles or any other large city from 'soaking up' Inglewood and burdening it with a greater bonded indebtedness, the Inglewood charter provides for a two-thirds vote of the people of Inglewood before a consolidation can be effected with any other city," Woodworth stated. "A two-thirds vote is required on local bond issues, so it is only justifiable that the same majority be required to shift the bonded indebtedness of one city upon another, the Inglewood official explained.

Under the Inglewood charter the city is divided into districts and a councilman elected from each district. The mayor is elected at large. Provision is made to change the districts from time to time in order that each district may have approximately the same population.

The first step in forming a new city charter is to elect a board of 15 freeholders, whose duty is to write the proposed charter and submit it to the voters. Woodworth emphasized the importance of selecting citizens who were eminently qualified to write a new charter, and warned against the selection of people of no political tendencies, due to danger of court action should their ideas be included in the charter.

At present Torrance has no charter and is governed under the State laws provided for a city of the sixth class.

Children Bid To Registration Party Saturday

All boys and girls between the ages of 4 and 14 years are invited to attend the registration party of the Torrance Community Vacation, Church School, Saturday, June 28, from 3 to 5 p.m. The school will open officially on June 30 and continue until July 25.

The following departments are announced by Miss Marie Kreyssler, principal: Beginners' Department for kindergarten children, 4 and 5 years; First Christian Church, under the direction of Mrs. Burr, who is a kindergarten teacher in the public schools.

Primary Department for children in the first, second, and third grades, held in the Central Evangelical Guild Hall, under Mrs. Speed, who has been a missionary to the Indians until recently.

Junior Department for fourth, fifth, and sixth grade children, held in the First Baptist Church, under the principal, Miss Marie Kreyssler.

Intermediate Department for seventh, eighth, and ninth grade children in the First M. E. Church under the direction of Marion Wright, who has just finished her fifth year at University of California and has been granted her teacher's certificate.

"We feel that we have a group of very able and efficient teachers and assistants to support these splendid superintendents," said Miss Kreyssler, principal.

Mobilization Call Gets Quick Action on Monday Evening

Minpower and resources of Torrance available in event of a great catastrophe were mobilized in exactly forty-five minutes Monday night under the direction of H. M. Bailey, commander of the Bert S. Crossland Post 470, American Legion.

Music Attracts

Will the People's Challenge To Its Chamber of Commerce Be Heeded? Civic Concerts Are Assets. Let's Have More of Them

An Editorial By GROVER C. WHYTE

The magnificent response on the part of the citizens of Torrance to the Chamber of Commerce's invitation to the civic concert honoring Wanda Stachowicz is a challenge to the directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce to provide further civic entertainment. In fact, every function of a community-wide nature that has been sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce has met with overwhelming success. The throngs that attended the Pageant of Light celebrating the inauguration of the ornamental lighting system, and the thousands that came to dance on the new Carson street pavement in East Torrance all prove conclusively that the people of this community welcome the opportunity to participate in such worthy affairs. The compelling magnet in all these community gatherings has been music. Torrance folks love good music, whether it be the martial strains of a good band as was the case in the Lighting Pageant and the Carson street dedication, or the soul-inspiring music of the opera as was the case last Friday evening.

It has been suggested that plans be formulated to present some really worth-while musical entertainment every two or three months. We believe it would be better to have an exceptionally good concert every three months than a mediocre one every month. But let's not allow the need to go unfulfilled.

The Chamber of Commerce is attempting to persuade a larger number of non-resident workers in the local factories to live in Torrance. Certainly, no greater inducement could be offered prospective residents than the promise of a truly high class community concert every three months.

Rentals in Torrance now compare favorably with those in near-by communities. Torrance stores are already attracting considerable trade from surrounding communities, due to their up-to-date merchandise, their courteous service, and their fair prices. With the exception of excessive water rates, which we hope will soon be rectified by the installation of a municipally owned and operated system, every item on the family's budget can be bought in Torrance as economically as elsewhere in the Southland. Through the efforts of the Chamber of Commerce, children will soon be enjoying the pleasures of a municipal playground in the beautifully wooded park adjoining the American Legion club house. If one likes to swim, he may do his bathing suit at his home in Torrance and be in the surf at Redondo or Hermosa within ten minutes. A large portion of this beach is now under county supervision and excellent life guards protect the bathers.

Following every civic musical entertainment, this newspaper has pointed out the need for a continuation of such endeavors on the part of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce. We hope that the splendid enthusiasm created by the exceptional concert Friday

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LET THE CHIPS FALL WHERE THEY MAY

HE WON'T FIND THOSE TOOLS SO EASY TO WORK WITH

EXPERIENCE

I'LL SHOW YOU A THING OR TWO ABOUT CARVING

ROSCOE MISSELHORN

SENIORS 1930 SCHOOL LIFE ENDS TONIGHT

Week of Activity, Gay and Crisp, Climaxed by Supreme Moment as Diplomas Are Presented

Culminating a busy week of constant activity, forty-one students will be awarded diplomas from Torrance high school. The graduating class will march down the aisles through arches of pink roses and greenery, and take their places on the platform.

Following is the program: Proclamation by the senior class and solo by Beulah Cooper; invocation by Rev. G. G. Elder; "Nightfall in Granada" by the double mixed quartette; oration, "The Value of a Commercial Education" by Mary Higgins; piano solo, John Young; oration, "The Value of a Vocational Education," Hartley Carr; "Prayer," an original arrangement by Dorothy Warren; "Serenade," combined glee club; oration, "The Value of an Avocational Education," Stanley Creighton; oration, "The Value of a College Education," John Young; presentation of life members of the Scholarship society by Miss Miller; presentation of Ephebian member, Miss Parks; presentation of class, Mr. Wood; award of diplomas, Frank A. Bonelle; "Now the Day is Over," senior class.

Graduates who will receive life membership in the Scholarship society are Beulah Cooper, Margaret Richbart, Edna Richbart, and John Young. John Young will also be awarded the Ephebian membership.

Sunday evening the baccalaureate services were held in the high school auditorium, and were attended by over four hundred friends and relatives of the graduating class. Rev. G. G. Elder, who presided, was accompanied by his son, Howard, now deceased, who had been a member of the class, was asked by the senior class to deliver the baccalaureate sermon. His topic was "The Call To Leadership," and he stressed the need for further education in order to be prepared for leadership in later life.

Rev. G. G. Elder of the First Christian church, gave the invocation, and Rev. E. A. Young of the First Methodist church read from the Scriptures. The combined glee club, accompanied by the piano by Dorothy Warren, and led by Mrs. Marjorie Eschen, sang the anthem. Following the talk by Rev. Schmidt, the male quartette from the Central Evangelical church, Fred Lessing, C. B. Bell, Charles Curless, and Dr. W. J. Neelands, sang, accompanied by Mrs. T. Ockler, Rev. John B.

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Torrance Men Have Charge of Quinn Campaign

Hyde and Kingsley Expect To Deliver Vote for Super- visor at Fall Elections

Supervisor John R. Quinn announced yesterday that Carl L. Hyde, and W. Harold Kingsley of Torrance will be in charge of his campaign for election to succeed himself as supervisor from the Fourth district. Mr. Hyde, who has secured a leave of absence from his duties as secretary of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce will manage the campaign. Mr. Kingsley will be director of publicity and advertising.

Quinn headquarters were being opened this week at 518 River-Strong building, Ninth and Main streets, Los Angeles.

Tax Rolls Will Be At Chamber Office July 1

Tax rolls covering property in Torrance will be available for public inspection at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce office after Monday, June 30, was announced by Carl L. Hyde, secretary.

Owners of property are invited to come to the Chamber of Commerce office and ascertain the assessment against their property for the tax year 1930-31. Protests may be made on unsatisfactory valuations before the Board of Equalization in Los Angeles between July 7 and 21, according to the statute.

Civic Concert Acclaimed Most Artistic In History

The civic concert and reception tendered Wanda Stachowicz last Friday evening was a huge success, and the only resplendent feature of the otherwise perfect evening was the fact that over four hundred people who came to the high school auditorium were turned away for lack of seating space.

From an artistic standpoint the concert would have done credit to New York, and we doubt if any audience anywhere would have been more appreciative than were the 1200 Torrance folks who gathered to enjoy it. Even the artists on the program expressed amazement over the perfect quiet during the rendition of the delicate numbers and the animated applause that followed each offering. "I have never seen a mixed audience so appreciative and attentive," said Ducl deKerckhove, violin virtuoso. A close friend of the violinist who has witnessed his programs over a number of years, said, "Never have I seen Ducl more inspired."

It is impossible to transmit to words the soul inspiring music which thrilled the audience Friday evening. From the well-chosen words of Mrs. Frank Sammons, hostess of the evening for the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, to the last faint strains of Kerek-jarto's final number, the program was perfect, and reflects much credit to our own Teala Billini, concert pianist, who arranged it.

Of course, the selections by Wanda Stachowicz were the highlights of the evening. Her full rich voice, clear and strong, rang through the auditorium like the chimes of a mighty cathedral. Her delightful manner won her the instant affection of her audience, and her masterful performance was the topic of conversation on every tongue.

Wanda Stachowicz of Torrance is destined to reach the very pinnacle of operatic fame, and Torrance rejoices with her beloved parents in her remarkable success so far.

Mrs. Buffington, another Torrance girl, accompanied Miss Stachowicz, and is entitled to much credit for her perfect technique and sympathetic accompaniment.

Teala Billini's numbers were typical of this gifted concert pianist. Few of the world's great pianists play with any more as-

NEXT ISSUE EARLY
THURSDAY MORNING

Look for your next week's issue of the Torrance Herald and Lomita News early Thursday morning. Carrier boys will report for their papers at 6 a.m. and your paper will be on your door step before 7 a.m. The early edition will be for next week only, in order that food stores and other advertisers may get their Fourth of July offerings before the public in ample time for the customer to buy before the holiday. Food stores will remain open until 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 3.

Guth Building New Hotel on Cabrillo Ave.

Ground was broken this week for a new boarding hotel at 1913 Cabrillo avenue, to be owned and operated by Edward L. Guth.

The hotel will be known as Southern Inn and will be two stories high of stucco construction. Plans call for twelve sleeping rooms and an apartment for Mr. and Mrs. Guth. There is also to be a lobby, kitchen, dining room, bathroom, and adequate bathhouse and showers. Five garages will be built on the property. The approximate cost of the new hotel is given as \$10,000 in addition to the site. Furnishings will amount to another \$2000. Mr. Guth stated, "The Southern Inn will be ready for occupancy by September 1, according to Herzog & Son, general contractors."

Mr. Guth is well known in Torrance, where he has built a number of houses.

"We are building a really up-to-date hotel and will feature good home cooking in our dining room," said Mr. Guth.

WANDA STACHOWICZ ROTARY

The interesting story of Miss Wanda Stachowicz's four years in Italy was told by this talented young artist to members of the Rotary club at the Legion clubhouse this noon. Wives of local rotarians were also invited to the luncheon.

The dramatic sketches by Josef Swickard were well received, particularly the humorous ones.

Floral bouquets of flowers were presented to Miss Stachowicz and the other local artists on the program, and added much to the already attractive stage, which was decorated by Mrs. W. Rufus Page, Mrs. E. B. Smith, and Mrs. J. E. Haggard.

Attractive bouquets of plants were given to the members of the reception committee and the local artists on the program by the Torrance Flower Shop.

Following the concert practically the entire 1200 guests withdrew to the high school patio where they waited in line to grasp the hand of Miss Stachowicz and wish her further success. In the receiving line besides the honored guest were Mayor and Mrs. John Dennis, Mr. and Mrs. Harry H. Dolley, Mr. and Mrs. R. Stachowicz, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Billini, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hyde.

A thousand colored lights were strung across the patio making a most delightful setting. Frank Papilli, feature accordionist with Abe Lyman's Band at the Carthy Club theatre, played a fascinating group of popular and semi-classical numbers in the patio during the reception. Ice cream and cakes, furnished by the Chamber of Commerce, were served by a group of girls, friends of Miss Stachowicz, under the supervision of Mrs. Harry Dolley, Mrs. Carl Hyde, and Mrs. Sam Levy.

It was an evening, long to be remembered, and unquestionably the most artistic affair ever held in Torrance. The Torrance Chamber of Commerce and its entertainment committee headed by Sam Levy is to be congratulated for planning and sponsoring it. Torrance is proud indeed of its gifted daughter, Wanda Stachowicz, and the warmth of friendship which this city cherishes for Miss Stachowicz was beautifully expressed by Mrs. Frank Sammons, who acted as hostess for the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

HOUSE RENTS IN TORRANCE ARE REDUCED

D. Spurlin, Owner of 40 Houses, Leads Drive To In- duce More Workers To Live Here

Substantial reductions in house rentals, effective at once, are announced by D. Spurlin, owner of 40 modern houses in Torrance. Two years ago, Mr. Spurlin made a sharp cut in house rents which precipitated a general reduction in rents throughout Torrance, and it is anticipated that his present action will again bring a wide-spread lowering of house rentals in Torrance.

"I have made a careful survey of rentals in districts surrounding Torrance, and I find that my present prices compare favorably with rents in any near-by cities or communities. In fact, my prices are lower, if anything, than those in other districts. I am reducing rents at this time in order to assist the Torrance Chamber of Commerce in its campaign to induce many non-resident factory workers to move to Torrance," said Mr. Spurlin.

"There can be no real argument against living in Torrance now," said President Harry H. Dolley of the Chamber of Commerce. "Torrance is within six minutes' drive of the beaches, and local residents may do their bathing suits and be in the surf in less than ten minutes after leaving their homes. The city has just bought a children's playground, and it will soon be ready. There is a splendid shopping district in Torrance, which is attracting trade from miles around, and living here is as economical as anywhere in the Southland. Torrance people are hospitable, neighborly, and welcome new residents to this community. Now that rents have been reduced, the last possible objection on the part of non-resident factory workers has been removed," Dolley continued.

Mr. Spurlin stated that he has a number of modern four-room houses, suitable for families of four people, that are offered at \$35.00 per month. This price includes water and care of lawn, without cost to the tenants. His group of houses are conveniently located, four blocks from the heart of the business district, two blocks from the United States street car, and six blocks from the Union Fuel Plant of the National Supply Company. Many of these houses have been newly papered and redecorated and are ready for immediate occupancy, and may be inspected at any hour of the day by evening upon calling at 908 Bortola avenue, Telephone 554-W.

Hawkins Moving To Corner Store

Stock Reducing Sale Prices To Continue at New Location, Says T. L. Hawkins

Here's a shut and open proposition! Saturday night at 10 o'clock the T. L. Hawkins Company closes its store at 1319 Sartori avenue to make room for alterations in preparation for the new tenant, the A. & T. Tea Company. Monday morning, the Hawkins company will open at a new location at the corner of El Prado and Safford with stock reducing sale prices still in full effect.

"In order to reduce the huge stock of goods now housed in the present big store so that it can be crowded into the new location, we're slashing prices to the red," said T. L. Hawkins, manager of the store. "Two days is a mighty short time to accomplish this task, but I think it can be done at the sacrifice we are making." Mr. Hawkins continued, "Come Friday and Saturday if you can, but if you cannot get down this week, remember we will have plenty of goods at the same bargain sale prices over on the corner across the street next week."

The new Hawkins store will be a novelty in this district in that it will be a sort of "help yourself" proposition. There will be no counters and customers will be privileged to walk about the store as they wish and pick out the goods they desire.